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Mr. James M. Frey
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Office of Management and Budget
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Dear Mr. Frey:

This is in response to your request for the views of the Central Intelligence Agency on S. 1324 as reported by the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence (SSCI). The Central Intelligence Agency strongly supports enactment of this legislation.


The bill as introduced represented a good faith effort by Senators Goldwater and Thurmond to promote compromise legislation which would grant the Agency a substantial degree of relief while continuing the Agency's obligation to respond to requests for information pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act. During hearings on the bill held by the SSCI, various areas of concern were raised. I believe that the bill as reported by the SSCI resolves these concerns.

The bill as amended now provides for access to information reviewed and relied upon during the course of an investigation by enumerated bodies to determine whether any impropriety or violation of law, Executive Order, or Presidential directive occurred in the conduct of an intelligence activity. A new subsection (d) was added outlining the implementing regulations and providing for a review of each designation not less than once every ten years. Furthermore, a new subsection (e) now provides for limited judicial review proceedings. All of these provisions were the result of long hours of discussion between Committee Members, staff, representatives of various organizations, and Agency personnel. We believe the amended bill is deserving of everyone's support.

We appreciate the opportunity to comment upon this important legislation. Given our interest, we would appreciate being kept informed as to the development of an Administration position on this legislation.

Sincerely,

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LEGISLATIVE REFERRAL MEMORANDUM

TO:

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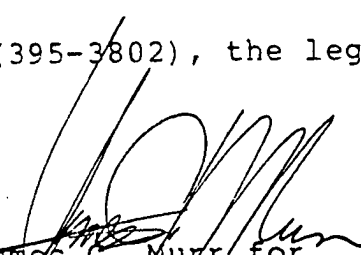
✓ Central Intelligence Agency
National Security Council
Department of Justice
Department of Defense (Attn. NSA)

SUBJECT: S. 1324, as reported, a bill to regulate public
disclosure of information held by the CIA.
(Sen. Rpt. 98-305)

The Office of Management and Budget requests the views of your agency on the above subject before advising on its relationship to the program of the President, in accordance with OMB Circular A-19.

Please provide us with your views no later than
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 1983.

Direct your questions to Branden Blum (395-3802), the legislative attorney in this office.


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